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ANSWERS
OF THE GREAT LEADER COMRADE KIM IL SUNG
TO THE QUESTIONS PUT BY THE FOREIGN EDITOR OF THE YUGOSLAV NEWS AGENCY TANJUG

On May 29 the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung gave answers to the questions put by the Foreign Editor of the Yugoslav news agency TANJUG.

According to a news dispatch from Beograd, TANJUG released the full text of the great leader's answers on June 25. On the same day the Beograd Telecast Station reported the content of the answers, telecasting a respectful portrait of the great leader, during a summary news broadcast.

On June 26 the leading Yugoslav papers "Borba", "Vecernje Novosti" and "Dnevnik" and other papers carried the full text or the detailed summary of the answers of the great leader, with his portrait printed in place of honour.

Follows the full text of the answers of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

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QUESTION: How do you, esteemed President Kim Il Sung, estimate the role of the Non-Alignment in the present world?

ANSWER: At present, the Non-Alignment is playing a very great role in the struggle against imperialism and colonialism, for national liberation and sovereignty, peace and social progress.

The Non-Alignment is a powerful anti-imperialist revolutionary force of the present times. With the appearance of the Non-Alignment on the stage of history as an independent political force, the world balance of forces has tipped in favour of the revolution. With the expansion and development of the Non-Alignment the revolutionary forces of the world have been decisively strengthened, whereas the imperialist forces have been weakened tangibly.

The triumphant advance of the Non-Alignment is dealing heavy blows to the imperialists and colonialists, and greatly inspiring and encouraging the anti-imperialist revolutionary struggle of the oppressed peoples and the peoples of the newly-emerging forces.

As the days go by, the Non-Alignment is exerting ever greater influence on the cause of the world revolution and the international developments. Thanks to the common struggle of the non-aligned countries many international problems are now correctly solved. This shows that the concerted action of the peoples of non-aligned countries can put an end to the arbitrariness of the imperialists on the international arena and bring solutions to all problems in the interests of progressive peoples. The greater the role of the Non-Alignment is, the earlier the victory of the common cause of the peoples of the newly-emerging forces will come.

Scared by the rapid expansion and development of the Non-Alignment today, the imperialists are making every effort to curb the influence of this movement and undermine it. They are sowing discord and antagonism among the non-aligned countries in an attempt to disrupt and disintegrate the Non-Alignment from within. Therefore, in order to increase the role of the Non-Alignment, the non-aligned countries must frustrate the disruptive, alienating moves of the imperialists and bring about firm unity.

For a firm unity all the non-aligned countries need to organically link their national interests with the interests of the Non-Alignment as a whole, pooling their strength for their common goal.

The non-aligned countries have good grounds for unity. In the past they were all subjected to the oppression and exploitation of the imperialists, and are today struggling for national independence and the building of a new society. They are closely linked with each other by the community of their former lots and the identity of their present endeavours. We consider that these countries must exert special efforts to strengthen their unity so as to further enhance the role of the Non-Alignment in compliance with the requirements of the present situation.

QUESTION: What do you think of the mutual relations between the non-aligned countries' political and economic independence and their cooperation?

ANSWER: The maintenance of independence by the non-aligned countries and the development of cooperation among them do not contradict each other. The maintenance of and respect for national independence constitute the prerequisite and basis of the unity and cooperation of countries.

Independence is the life and soul of a country and people. It is essential for any country to firmly maintain an independent stand. Only then can it defend its national dignity and honour, safeguard its national independence, achieve prosperity, and help develop the unity and cooperation among countries on a truly voluntary and equal footing.

"Cooperation" between countries which is not based on independence gives rise to inequality and subordination. That is why the developing countries are now resolutely combatting the attempts of the imperialists headed by the US imperialists to trample upon the sovereignty of other countries and subjugate them politically under the cloak of "cooperation".

As for the cooperation between the non-aligned countries, this is an important factor making for the consolidation of their political and economic independence and the achievement of their national prosperity.

The non-aligned countries respect each other's independence and have truly cooperative relations. If these countries closely cooperate while maintaining independence, they can nullify the imperialists' aggression and subversive activities, consolidate national independence and successfully solve the difficult and complex problems arising in the building of a new society.

The non-aligned countries, the countries of the newly-emerging forces, account for the greater part of the world's population and territory, have inexhaustible natural resources and possess many experiences and techniques to exchange. If the non-aligned countries tap and make an effective use of these vast potentialities by strengthening their economic and technical cooperation, they can build an independent national economy with credit in a short period of time.

To unite, cooperate and strengthen international solidarity on an independent basis is the principle invariably followed by the Government of our Republic. The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea will endeavour to further strengthen and develop the cooperation with the non-aligned countries, the countries of the newly-emerging forces, on the principle of independence, and energetically fight on to hasten the victory of the common cause of the progressive peoples the world over.

QUESTION: Will you please tell me of the preparations for the Colombo Summit Conference and of what you expect from this Conference?

ANSWER: The Summit Conference of the Non-Aligned Countries in Colombo in August is going to take place at a time when the peoples' struggle against imperialism, colonialism and racism, for national independence and sovereignty is mounting higher than ever before and when the Non-Alignment is displaying increasingly greater vitality in the international arena. For its scale and the importance of the questions placed on its agenda, the forthcoming Summit will be of great importance in the development of the Non-Alignment.

At present all the progressive peoples of the world, to say nothing of the peoples of the non-aligned countries, show a great interest in the Fifth Summit Conference of Non-Aligned Countries and unanimously wish it success.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Korean people join the peoples of all the other non-aligned countries in attaching a great significance to the Colombo Summit and are actively pushing ahead with the preparations for its success. Our country will do its best at the forthcoming Summit to strengthen and develop the Non-Alignment.

The Colombo Summit will take up the urgent international problems of the moment. The preliminary agenda for the conference include burning questions such as the review and appraisal of the international political situation, and the international economic situation and development. We are positive that these questions will be discussed and solved in conformity with the common interests of the non-aligned countries.

We expect that the forthcoming Summit will adopt potent measures to smash the imperialists' moves to invade and plunder the countries of the newly-emerging forces and to give more effective support and encouragement to the people's struggle for freedom, liberation and the consolidation of national independence, and that it will take practical steps to abolish the old international economic order introduced wilfully by the imperialists and establish a new international economic order conforming to the will and interests of the progressive peoples of the world. We also expect the conference to pay deep attention to the strengthening of unity and cooperation of the non-aligned countries and to the organizational unity and development of this movement.

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea will work hard to ensure that the Fifth Summit become a historic conference which will demonstrate the united strength of the Non-Alignment and make a great contribution to the development of this movement.

QUESTION: What methods can the non-aligned countries employ to support the reunification of Korea?

ANSWER: The question of the Korean reunification, as a question of restoring the territory and people robbed by the foreign imperialists and establishing the sovereignty of the Korean nation for the whole country, is a link in the common cause of the non-aligned countries against imperialism and for independence. Therefore, in order to achieve the reunification of Korea it is necessary to strengthen the unity with the international revolutionary forces while increasing our own internal revolutionary forces.

The Korean people have always enjoyed support and encouragement from the non-aligned countries in their struggle to make the US army withdraw from south Korea and achieve the independent, peaceful reunification of the country. The Heads of State of many non-aligned countries have until now actively supported our people's cause of national reunification in the international arena, including the Summit Conferences of Non-Aligned Countries. Particularly the Fourth Summit denounced the foreign interference in the internal affairs of Korea and the "two Koreas" plot, and adopted a resolution demanding the withdrawal of all foreign troops occupying south Korea under the UN flag.

This support and encouragement of the non-aligned countries greatly inspire our people in their struggle for the independent, peaceful reunification of the country.

The first question which must be solved for the independent, peaceful reunification of Korea is the withdrawal of all foreign troops from south Korea and the replacement of the Korean Armistice Agreement with a peace agreement, in accordance with the resolution of the 30th session of the UN General Assembly. In solving such questions, our people highly value the active support and encouragement of the non-aligned countries.

Today an important question facing the non-aligned countries in supporting the Korean people's struggle for national reunification is to make south Korea too hot for the US imperialists by more extensively arousing world public opinion supporting the reunification of Korea. This is essential to prevent another war in Korea, preserve peace in Asia and the rest of the world, and reunify Korea independently by peaceful means. We hope that the non-aligned countries will thoroughly isolate US imperialism and the south Korean puppet clique in all parts of the world and widely expose their criminal moves for another war in south Korea and their "two Koreas" plot, thus more strongly arousing world public opinion supporting the independent, peaceful reunification of Korea.

It is our firm belief that the non-aligned countries will, in the future, too, as in the past, express active support and firm solidarity for the Korean people's struggle for the independent, peaceful reunification of the country and take positive measures helpful to Korea's reunification at the forthcoming Fifth Summit in particular.

I take this opportunity to express my deep thanks to the governments and peoples of the non-aligned countries including Yugoslavia for the active support and encouragement they have rendered so far to the Korean people in their cause of independent, peaceful reunification.

QUESTION: Esteemed President, what is your opinion of the relations between Korea and Yugoslavia? And please tell me about the cooperation of our two countries in making preparations for the Colombo Summit and in the whole system of the Non-Alignment.

ANSWER: The friendship and cooperation between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia are blossoming and developing daily. This reflects the present-day requirement of the international communist movement for independence and the common desire of the peoples of the newly-emerging forces who have appeared on the international arena.

We are satisfied with the rapid expansion and development of friendship and cooperation in all fields between Korea and Yugoslavia.

The visit to Yugoslavia of a Party and Government delegation of our country in June last year was a landmark in developing the friendship and cooperation between our two countries. Our visit to Yugoslavia further deepened the mutual trust and friendship between the leaders of the two countries and developed the friendship and cooperation between our two Parties and peoples onto a new, higher stage.

We always remember our memorable meeting with Comrade Josip Broz Tito, the outstanding leader of the Yugoslav people and an intimate friend of the Korean people, and the warm welcome and hospitality accorded us by the Yugoslav government and people.

Since our visit to Yugoslavia the contacts and visits between the two Parties, governments and peoples of Korea and Yugoslavia have increased, the mutual support and solidarity in the political field have been further strengthened, and economic and technical cooperation expanded and developed. We think this is very gratifying.

Based on the principles of complete equality and independence, the friendship and cooperation between our two countries expanding and developing with each passing day are genuine and fruitful. We highly value our friendship and cooperation with Yugoslavia and will make every effort in the future to further strengthen and develop the friendship and solidarity with the Yugoslav people.

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia are also closely cooperating with each other in their preparations for the Fifth Summit of the Non-Aligned States to be held in Sri Lanka in the near future and in their work of developing the Non-Alignment as a whole. Our two countries have already exchanged useful views on many occasions and reached agreements on the important questions confronting the Non-Alignment at present and on the question of further developing it.

The friendship and cooperation between our two countries based on the lofty ideals of the Non-Alignment help largely towards the solution of the important problems facing the Non-Alignment at the present times and towards its further development.

It is our firm conviction that the good relations of friendship and cooperation between our two countries will further expand and develop in the future amidst the joint struggle for the victory of the cause of socialism and communism and for the strengthening and development of the Non-Alignment.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung poses with the SRUB government trade delegation after receiving them

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Receives Foreign Guests

Delegation of Young Activists of Japan Socialist Party

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on June 21 met the delegation of young activists of the Japan Socialist Party.

Present on the occasion were the members of the delegation headed by Tokihiro Sato, Member of the Central Youth Measures Committee of the Japan Socialist Party and Director of the Kikanshi Department of the Tokyo Metropolitan Headquarters of the JSP.

Also on hand were personages concerned Kim Gil Hyon and Chi Jae Ryong.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung talked with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

He posed for a photograph with the guests after receiving them.

Government Trade Delegation of Socialist Republic of Union of Burma

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on June 21 received the government trade delegation of the Socialist Republic of the Union of Burma.

Present there were the members of the delegation headed by U Hlaaye, Minister of Foreign Trade of the Socialist Republic of the Union of Burma.

Kye Ung Tae, Minister of Foreign Trade, was also on hand.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung chatted with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

New Ambassador of Republic of Portugal to DPRK

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, on June 21 received Mario Vicoso Neves, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Portugal to our country, and his wife.

Present on the occasion was Comrade Ho Dam, Vice-Premier of the Administration Council and Foreign Minister.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung conversed with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Sees Performance of Bulgarian Construction Army Song and Dance Ensemble and Receives Its Leading Members and Artistes

Comrade Kim Il Sung, the great leader of our Party and our people, saw on June 27 a performance given by the visiting Bulgarian Construction Army Song and Dance Ensemble.

Also seeing the performance were Comrades O Jin U and Ho Dam, personage concerned Li Chang Son and other functionaries of Party and government bodies, working people and soldiers of the People's Army.

In the audience were also Bulgarian Ambassador Hristo Kelchev, Colonel Encho Raikovski, First Vice-Director of the Political Bureau of the Bulgarian Construction Army, who is heading the Ensemble, and its leading members.

Great joy was read on the faces of the audience who had the honour of seeing the performance of the goodwill art mission of the fraternal Bulgarian people in company with the great leader.

When the great leader of our Party and our people Comrade Kim Il Sung appeared in the box, stormy cheers of "Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!" and thunderous applause burst out and the theatre was overflowing with the great emotion and joy at seeing the fatherly leader.

Amid the unending enthusiastic cheers, an actress of the Bulgarian Construction Army Song and Dance Ensemble reverentially presented the great leader with a fragrant bouquet imbued with infinite reverence.

The curtain rose with "Song of General Kim Il Sung", the immortal paean to the great leader.

The colourful numbers including the chorus and quartet "Bulgarian Rose" and the chorus "Bulgaria, Motherland of Dimitrov" put on stage by the Bulgarian artistes reflected well the history of heroic struggle of the Bulgarian people who gallantly fought foreign imperialist aggressors, their pride in and love for their motherland and socialist system and their fruitful working life for building a developed socialist society.

The fraternal Bulgarian singers sang well in Korean the Korean songs "The Mother of Korea", "The Snow Falls" and "Song of the Korean People's Army", delighting the audience.

The performance proceeded amid the warm feelings of friendship and solidarity between the peoples of Korea and Bulgaria and was acclaimed by the audience.

After the performance, the Bulgarian artistes loudly sang "Song of General Kim Il Sung", wishing the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung good health and a long life.

Amid the prolonged cheers of "hurrah!" and thunderous applause, the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung mounted the stage, presented a floral basket to the artistes in congratulation of their successful performance, shook hands with all the performers and posed for a photograph with them.

On the same day the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, received the leading members and artistes of the Ensemble.

Present on the occasion were Colonel Encho Raikovski and leading members and artistes of the Ensemble.

Comrades O Jin U and Ho Dam and personage concerned Li Chang Son were on hand.

Also present was Bulgarian Ambassador Hristo Kelchev.

On the occasion, the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung congratulated the Bulgarian Construction Army Song and Dance Ensemble on its successful performance in our country and had a conversation with the guests in a cordial and friendly atmosphere.

TELEGRAMS

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Workers' Party of Korea and President of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, sent a message to Comrade **Todor Zhivkov**, First Secretary of the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist Party, congratulating him upon having been reelected President of the State Council of the Bulgarian People's Republic.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message to Lieutenant Colonel **Ibrahim Muhammed Al Hamdi**, Chairman of the Command Council of the Arab Republic of Yemen, greeting the second anniversary of the rectification movement in the ARY.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, sent a message to Comrade **Salem Rubaya Ali**, Chairman of the Presidential Council of the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen, greeting the 7th anniversary of the rectification measure in PDRY.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Siaka Probyn Stevens** in reply to his message of greetings sent on the latter's reelection as President of the Republic of Sierra Leone.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **William Gopallawa**, President of the Republic of Sri Lanka, in reply to his message of greetings sent on the occasion of the 4th anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic of Sri Lanka.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **El Hadj Ahmadou Ahidjo**, President of the United Republic of Cameroon, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on the national holiday of the people of Cameroon.

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a reply from **Yasser Arafat**, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization and General Commander of the Palestine Revolutionary Forces, for the message he had sent to the latter on the occasion of the "Palestinian people's struggle support week".

✦ The great leader Comrade **Kim Il Sung**, President of the DPRK, received a message from **Gaafar Mohammed Nimeri**, President of the Democratic Republic of the Sudan, in reply to his message of greetings sent to the latter on the occasion of the 7th anniversary of the May Revolution in the Sudan.

The Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG

Sends Precious Gift to Prime Minister of Pakistan

A ceremony was held on June 18 in Islamabad to convey a precious gift from the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung to Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, according to a report.

Present there were the Assistant Secretary of the Agriculture Ministry, Deputy Director of the Protocol Department of the Foreign Ministry and other officials concerned of the Foreign Ministry and Agriculture Ministry of Pakistan.

The Charge d'Affaires ad interim of our country to Pakistan spoke first on the occasion.

He courteously conveyed the precious gift from the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung to Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto to the Assistant Secretary of the Agriculture Ministry who was entrusted by the Pakistani Prime Minister.

Then the Assistant Secretary of the Agriculture Ministry spoke.

He said:

Entrusted by His Excellency Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, Prime Minister of Pakistan, I have the honour of receiving 30 pairs of pheasants, a precious gift from His Excellency President Kim Il Sung, the respected and beloved leader of the Korean people.

This gift is an expression of the deep friendship and solidarity existing between the peoples of our two countries.

These beautiful pheasants will enrich the animal kingdom of Pakistan and be an eternal remembrance for the Pakistani people who strive to further develop the relations of friendship and cooperation between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the Islamic Republic of Pakistan which found their brilliant expression during the recent visit of His Excellency Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto to the DPRK.

Availing myself of this opportunity of receiving the precious gift, I extend once again the warm thanks of the Pakistani Government to the Government and people of the friendly Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

(KCNA)

Newspapers, news agencies and radios of various countries are giving wide publicity to the talk of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung with the editor-in-chief of the Japanese politico-theoretical magazine "Sekai".

The Danish paper "Jyllands-Posten" carried the talk of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, his portrait printed with due respect on the paper.

In its introductory note the paper wrote that in his talk with the editor-in-chief of the Japanese politico-theoretical magazine "Sekai" the respected and beloved leader President Kim Il Sung made a scientific analysis of the US imperialists' aggressive policy and the treacheries of the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, their stooges, put forward the most fair and rational proposals for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country and referred to the need to strengthen the solidarity with the peace-loving peoples of the world and its significance. It added that all these serve as a guiding principle.

The French paper "Le Monde" and Syrian paper "Al Shoura" devoted their spaces to the talk in two installments, printing a portrait of the great leader in place of honour.

The Pakistani paper "Islami Zamhuria", the Jordanian paper "Jordan Times" and the Sierra Leone paper "Spectacular" carried the gist of the talk. Printed with due respect in the newspapers were portraits of the great leader.

Besides, the summary of the talk of the great leader was reported by the newspapers, news agencies and radios of many countries including the Soviet Union, Bulgaria, Poland, Hungary, Mongolia, Algeria, Indonesia, Viet Nam, South Viet Nam, Germany, Syria and the United States.

The talk of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung with the editor-in-chief of the Japanese politico-theoretical magazine "Sekai" has called forth a big echo among the world public ever since it was made public.

In his statement Kanji Kawasaki, Director of the International Department of the Japan Socialist Party, stressed:

"In taking up the question of Korean reunification, President Kim Il Sung made a scientific analysis of the Far Eastern situation, the general situation of Asia and the international situation as a whole and, on this basis, gave accurate consideration to the Korean question, regarding it as a link in the whole chain of the international developments...

The United States is isolated not only politically but also economically. Its aggressive designs on Korea will be surely frustrated in face of the united struggle of the Korean people and world's people."

Bantaro Kido, former Rector of

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"US Aggressive Designs on Korea Will Be Surely Frustrated"

Many Countries Give Wide Publicity, Warm Support and Welcome to Talk of the Great Leader Comrade KIM IL SUNG with Editor-in-Chief of Japanese Politico-Theoretical Magazine "Sekai"

We Will Shatter "Two-Koreas" Plot and War Policy of US Imperialists and Their Lackeys and Carry Through Historic Cause of National Reunification

Pyongyang Mass Rally Held on "Day of Struggle against US Imperialism"

A Pyongyang mass rally was held at Kim Il Sung Square on June 25, the "day of struggle against US imperialism".

Over 200,000 people streamed to the meeting place, shouting slogans and singing songs bitterly denouncing the US imperialist aggressors, with streamers and picture panels held above their heads.

The wide square and the streets of the capital rocked with the loud shouts of the crowd: "Down with the US imperialist aggressors, the deadly enemy of the Korean people!" "US imperialist aggressors, get out of south Korea at once!" "Down with the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique of traitors to the nation!" "Smash the new war provocation manoeuvres of the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique!" "Let us drive out the US imperialist aggressors and reunify the country!" and "Warm support and encouragement to the struggle of the south Korean people against US imperialism and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique!".

The faces of the people were filled with fierce hatred and indignation at the US imperialist beasts, the most heinous war igniter, the truculent enemy of peace and progress, the vicious strangler of national independence and freedom and the blood-thirsty murderer, and the Pak Jung Hi fascist gang, the traitor to the nation and a pack of cutthroats.

Set up with due respect before the crowd at the square was a portrait of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the peerless patriot, national hero and ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander, which was flanked on either side by placards bearing slogans reading "Long live the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!" and "Long live the glorious Workers' Party of Korea!"

Seen here and there in the meeting place were streamers reading "Let us defend with our lives the Party Central Committee headed by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung!" "Let us reunify the country independently by the efforts of the Korean people themselves, upholding the national reunification policy advanced by the great leader!" "Let us uphold and implement the three principles and the five-point policy of national reunification put forward by the great leader!"

Also set up in the square were posters depicting the unbreakable unity and cohesion of our Party and people rallied close around the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung with one idea and one purpose and the firm determination of our people to smash the US imperialist aggressors and their stooges and promote the historic cause of national reunification, showing the people in their fight to dismember US imperialism everywhere in the world and the ignominious defeat and ruin of the enemies and depicting the militant friendship and unity of the world's revolutionary people advocating independence.

Present at the rally were Comrades Kim Dong Gyu, Kang Ryang Uk, Pak Sung Chul, O Jin U, So Chol, Rim Chun Chu, Yang Hyong Sop, O Baek Ryong, Han Ik Su, Kim Yong Nam, Chong Jun Gi, Kim Chol Man, Kang Song San, Ho Dam and Hwang Jang Yop, and Chon Chang Chol, Secretary of the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly; Kang Jang Su, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Chondoist Chongu Party; Ho Jong Suk, Director of the Secretariat of the Central Committee of the Democratic Front for the Reunification of the Fatherland; Kim Gwan Sop, Chairman of the Committee for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries; Kang Hui Won, Chairman of the Pyongyang City Administrative Committee; and leading personages of Party and government bodies, the People's Army, working people's organizations, leading officials in the fields of science, education, culture, public health and the press and Heroes of the DPRK and Labour Heroes.

Invited to the rally were delegations of Koreans visiting the homeland from Japan, foreign diplomatic envoys in Pyongyang and foreign guests staying in Korea.

Comrade Chong Jun Gi made a speech at the mass rally.

He said that the US imperialists started the criminal war of aggression against our people by instigating the Syngman Rhee clique on June 25, 1950 in accordance with their preparations carefully pushed forward long ago and prearranged aggressive plan.

The war of the Korean people was a just national liberation war for defending the freedom and independence of the fatherland, a rigorous class struggle against the US imperialist reactionary forces and a fierce anti-imperialist, anti-US struggle, he noted.

He said that the Fatherland Liberation War of the Korean people was a sacred war to smash the US imperialists' manoeuvres to ignite a world war, defend peace and security in the world and safeguard the eastern post of the socialist countries.

He noted that the US imperialists made desperate efforts, employing brutal methods and means of war unprecedented in war history and committed monstrous genocide.

The brutal atrocities committed by the enemy in the Korean war clearly proved that US imperialism is the vampire of the 20th century putting the Hitler clique into shame, the thrice-cursed human butcher, heinous and shameless aggressor and marauder and the sworn enemy of the Korean people, he said.

Saying that under the outstanding and tested leadership of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung, the ever-victorious iron-willed brilliant commander and genius in military strategy, our people and People's Army crushed the aggressors and won a brilliant victory, he stressed:

The historic victory of our people in the Fatherland Liberation War demonstrated to the whole world that a people under the leadership of a great leader is invincible. It clearly showed that no force can conquer a people who rose up for the freedom and independence of the fatherland, holding their destiny in their hands.

Our people humbled the pride of the US imperialists who boasted of being the "strongest" in the world and shattered to smithereens the myth of their "mightiness" and started US imperialism on the downgrade.

He said:

The US imperialists, far from drawing a proper lesson from their defeat in the Korean war and withdrawing from south Korea, have persisted in the new war provocation manoeuvres in wanton violation of the Armistice Agreement and obstructed by all means the independent reunification of our country.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"The occupation of south Korea by the US imperialists and their policy of aggression are the root cause of all our nation's misery, the main obstacle to the reunification of our country and a constant source of war in Korea".

The speaker said: The US imperialists have already shipped into south Korea weapons of mass destruction including nuclear weapons and combat equipment, blustering that they would not rule out the use of nuclear weapons in Ko-

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Immortal Traces

Ranks of Revolutionary Vanguards That Grew in Number and Strength

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung directs a meeting of the Young Communist League

POSHAN Park in Kirin, Northeast China, is a historic place which carries the undiminished traces of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung's revolutionary struggle. Summer finds it carpeted with big and small trees in deep green.

The great leader went there so often that hardly a tree and even a rock remained unfamiliar to him.

He would guide meetings of the Young Communist League (YCL), sitting on a rock under a big tree in the park. When strict secrecy was called for, he would use the basement of Yowangmiao (temple to the Chinese god of medicine) in the park as a meeting place to sow the seeds of revolution.

The great leader quite often organized and guided YCL meetings and meetings for discussion on political affairs under the carefully-outlined plans. He showed the young vanguards the concrete orientation for activity, committed the fighting tasks to their charge, taught them the Juche-based revolutionary theory and inspired them with the indefatigable will to fight, rousing them to step out onto the battlefield of struggle.

After a discussion meeting in Poshan Park, he would passionately recite poem once in a while, throwing his affectionate eyes toward the azure sky over the homeland, overwhelmed with his love for the fatherland and people. One of the poems runs:

My fatherland,
When will you be recovered?
My beloved Korean people,
When will you be liberated?
The world in darkness,
When will you shed bright light?
My fatherland will be liberated
Only when the Japanese imperialists,
The Korean people's sworn enemy,
Are downed!

With the ardent love of country and people, he tirelessly carried on revolutionary activities and founded the Korean Young Communist League in the summer of 1927.

The founding of the KYCL meant a declaration announcing new struggle and advancement, making it possible to coordinate the revolutionary ranks into one main-stream.

Forming that organization and carrying the youth movement on to a new, higher stage did not come on a silver platter. For these the great leader had to cover a really rough and rugged path.

Kirin was a cauldron of political strife of all brands at the time when our revolutionary movement was plagued by the sectarian-flunkeyists and the people were at a loss where to go. The masses of young people found themselves in a vortex of muddy stream and the youth movement lacked unity, divided into many groups. This was because of the ruthless suppression of the Japanese imperialists, the erroneous views of nationalists and the splitting activities of the sectarians.

At this critical moment the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung moved the stage of his revolutionary activity to Kirin early in January 1927. This was a great event, indeed.

From this time our people, youth and students groping in the darkness, began to take a straight course of revolution under the direct guidance of the great leader, the sun of the nation, whom they revered even in dream.

While studying at the Yuwen Middle School in Kirin, the great leader organized secret study circles and groups for the study of progressive ideology. He adopted varying forms and methods in propagating the progressive ideology of the working class among the youth, students, workers and peasants. At the same time he strove hard to draw them into the anti-Japanese revolutionary organizations, legal or illegal.

To begin with, he organized the Association of Korean Juveniles (AKJ) in Kirin. There followed the reorganization of the Ryogil Association of Korean Students in Kirin, a friendship organization, into the Ryugil Association of Korean Students in Kirin (RAKSK), an anti-Japanese revolutionary organization. These organizations contributed to further developing the youth movement.

The great leader illuminated the path to be followed by the Korean revolution, overcoming all sorts of undesirable tendencies in the revolutionary struggle, and educated the young people belonging to new generation, imbuing them with his brilliant ideology and theory. His fame rapidly spread through the whole of Northeast China and to different parts of the homeland.

Many fiery young people of Korea vyingly came to Kirin from abroad, to say nothing of the homeland, to receive his personal guidance.

The great leader educated them and admitted them as well as the progressive youth of the RAKSK to the DIU (Down-with Imperialism Union), extending its branch organization to many schools in Kirin.

As DIU organizations at grassroots were formed at these schools and their hard-core elements grew rapidly, he renamed the DIU the Anti-Imperialist Youth League (AIYL), a revolutionary mass-based youth organization, extended the organizational network of the AIYL to schools in Kirin, the rural areas around it and, farther, to many cities and farm villages to weld together as many young people as possible.

The KYCL formed with AIYL core members served as a body ensuring unified leadership over all the anti-Japanese juvenile and youth organizations that mushroomed in different areas.

Thanks to his energetic and prudent guidance the YCL began to move forward with increased energy and put down firm roots among many schools in Kirin and in broad areas of Tunhua, Fusung and Changchun, etc.

Looking back on those days, the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung said:

"When we were working in the student movement in Kirin, the Korean students were all very busy... as we gave them one assignment after another .... At the time we organized various activities with them as the core. During school vacations, we put each in charge of a neighbouring farm village, giving them the task of revolutionizing the people there. Thus, we revolutionized all the farm villages in the neighbourhood of Kirin."

The great leader never stopped even for a moment the fight over fundamental principles against the nationalists and the sectarians in order to solidly build up the ranks of young vanguards and marshal the broad section of the anti-Japanese force.

The forms and methods in the relentless struggle against the erroneous views and acts of the nationalists and the secretarians varied according to the given conditions or circumstances. Now he openly fought them and then castigated them at mass lecture meetings and meetings for discussion on political affairs or through satirical short dramas.

Through this struggle the youth, students and other sections of broad masses broke away from the influence of the nationalists and the sectarians and the unity of the ranks of the revolutionary vanguards as well as the cohesion of the anti-Japanese revolutionary force began to grow stronger.

The great leader sent a large number of young vanguards trained in the crucible of struggle to the rural areas to revolutionize them. He himself would go out to the Korean villages around Kirin and along the Kirin-Changchun railway and, farther, to Antu, Fusung, Tunhua and Chiaoho, acquainted himself with the work of the comrades sent there and gave them on-the-spot guidance.

He roused large numbers of students and youth to the students strike for democratic rights, and to the struggle against the Kirin-Hoeryong railway project, and the struggle to boycott Japanese goods both of which created a great sensation throughout Manchuria. He schooled them and consolidated the revolutionary organizations still more through these practical struggle.

In this way, the backbone of the revolution became strong and the ranks of young vanguards grew in number and strength thanks to the great leader's energetic activities.

Choe Si Hwan

"We Demand Immediate Withdrawal of all Foreign Troops from South Korea and Pungently Denounce the Brutal Suppression There"

Korean Reunification Support Committees Formed in Foreign Countries

In Syria

The National Leadership of the Arab Socialist Baath Party recently decided to inaugurate the "Syrian Solidarity Committee for Supporting and Encouraging the Just Struggle of the Korean People for the Independent and Peaceful Reunification of the Country", according to a report from Damascus.

Fawaz Sayag, Member of the National Leadership of the Arab Socialist Baath Party and Director of its External Affairs Department, was elected chairman of the committee.

The Chairman of the Arab-Korea Friendship Association of the Syrian Arab Region who is Member of the Syrian Regional Leadership of the Arab Socialist Baath Party and Chairman of the General Federation of Sportsmen's Unions and others were elected members of the committee.

In Luxemburg

A grand inaugural meeting of the "Luxemburg Solidarity Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification" was held in Luxemburg on June 9, according to a report.

The meeting was attended by many personages of all strata.

A letter to the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung was unanimously adopted at the meeting amid thunderous applause of its attendants.

The meeting adopted an appeal on the inauguration of the committee.

The appeal said:

The "Luxemburg Solidarity Committee for Supporting Korea's Reunification" demands the immediate withdrawal of all foreign troops from south Korea and pungently denounces the brutal suppression in south Korea. It demands the democratization of south Korean society and the immediate release of political prisoners arrested by the Pak Jung Hi puppet regime.

The committee calls upon all the progressive forces of the world to strongly support the struggle of the Korean people for the peaceful reunification of the country.

The meeting elected the leading body of the committee. Gaston Hogel was elected chairman of the committee.

In Japan

A central meeting was held on June 21 in Tokyo, Japan, to inaugurate the "Japanese Committee Demanding a Switchover of the Japanese Government's Policy toward Korea and the Withdrawal of the US Troops from South Korea and Supporting the Democratization of South Korea and Korea's Independent and Peaceful Reunification" (tentatively named the "Japanese Committee for Supporting Korea's Independent and Peaceful Reunification").

The inauguration of the committee is aimed at waging an extensive solidarity movement for Korea's independent and peaceful reunification as a matter of the Japanese people themselves in view of the fact that the neo-colonialist policy pursued by Japan and the United States, especially, the US imperialist aggression forces' stationing in south Korea, is barring Korea's independent and peaceful reunification.

In his opening address, Kaname Hayashi, Professor of Kanto Gakuin University, stressed:

The slogans "a switchover of the Japanese government's policy toward Korea", "the withdrawal of US troops from south Korea", "support to the movement for the democratization of south Korean society" and "support to Korea's independent and peaceful reunification" not only constitute the basic policy of the movement supporting Korea's independent and peaceful reunification but also reflect the Japanese people's desire.

After a report was delivered on the inaugural meeting by Makoto Ichikawa, Chairman of the General Council of Trade Unions of Japan, speeches were made at the meeting on the subjects: "The independent and peaceful reunification of Korea and the stand of Japan", "Japan-south Korea collusion and the dangerous condition of the October revitalized system of the Pak regime" and "The actual state of the policy of making Japan, the US and south Korea one military community".

Saying that the work of promoting amity and friendship between the peoples of Japan and Korea must be an undertaking of the whole people, the reporter and speakers stressed:

What is most important is to regard the relaxation of tension in Korea as a duty of the Japanese people and a matter of the Japanese people themselves.

Summing up the report and speeches, Akira Iwai, Representative Member of the Liaison Council for Japan-Korea Workers' Solidarity and Exchange, proposed that in order to vigorously wage a national movement embracing the Japanese people of all walks of life in support of Korea's independent and peaceful reunification, transcending the differences of idea, creed and party affiliation, the "Japanese Committee for Supporting Korea's Independent and Peaceful Reunification" be inaugurated and the number of its representative members be 27.

The proposal was unanimously approved by a loud applause of the attendants.

Li Gye Baek, Vice-Chairman of the Central Standing Committee of Chongryon (General Association of Korean Residents in Japan), made a congratulatory speech at the meeting.

The meeting adopted a statement, slogans for unity and a letter to the entire Korean people.

Katsuko Komatsu, Executive Member of the New Japan Women's Association, made a closing address.

The statement pointed to the fact that the Pak Jung Hi fascist bandits are barbarously suppressing personages involved in the "declaration for democracy and national salvation" and their families.

The statement said:

This is a grave challenge to democracy and discloses in all nakedness the brutal nature of the Pak Jung Hi clique who seized power through a military coup d'etat.

Noting that the barbarous suppression by the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique cannot be tolerated, the statement bitterly denounced the Pak "regime" and demanded the immediate release of all those who were arrested and imprisoned for their participation in the struggle for the democratization of south Korean society.

It continued:

We oppose the sinister Japan-US-south Korea collusion to freeze Korea's division, as exposed in the "Lockheed" scandal.

The Korean question must be solved by the Korean nation itself and no interference of outside forces must be tolerated. The principle of national self-determination is the basic right of all nations.

Proceeding from this stand, we oppose the Japanese government obstructing the north-south reunification, the cherished desire of the Korean nation, and demand that it radically change the policy toward Korea, normalize the relations with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and reject the Japan-South Korea Treaty.

The statement stressed that the US imperialist aggression troops must get out of south Korea at once taking along their nuclear weapons in accordance with the resolution of the 30th UN General Assembly; withdraw from the whole territory of Japan including Okinawa; Japan and the United States must give up their manoeuvres to start a new war in Korea under the Japan-US-south Korea military system and stop obstructing the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea.

Saying that the question of Korea's reunification is an unavoidable, urgent and important task of the Japanese people themselves, the statement ardently called upon the broad segments of the Japanese people to fight for Korea's reunification.

The slogans for unity adopted at the meeting read:

1. **Support the south Korean people demanding democracy against fascism, as clarified in the "declaration for democracy and national salvation";**

2. **Denounce the savage rule of the Pak Jung Hi dictatorial regime and demand the release of all the political offenders;**

3. **Reject the establishment of "two Koreas" and oppose the manoeuvres to make Japan, the US and south Korea one military community directed by the United States;**

4. **Demand the immediate withdrawal of US troops from Japan and south Korea and support the independent and peaceful reunification of Korea;**

5. **Promote the conclusion of a fishery agreement with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea;**

6. **Defend the democratic, national rights of Koreans in Japan;**

7. **Demand the complete discontinuation of "aid" to the Pak Jung Hi "regime" and restrict the neo-colonialist infiltration of Japanese monopoly capital into south Korea;**

8. **Demand a radical switchover of the policy of the government of the Liberal Democratic Party toward Korea and the normalization of the relations with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and reject the "Japan-south Korea Treaty".**

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Hokkaido Liberal Arts College, Japan, emphasized that the July 4 North-South Joint Statement which specifies the need for the Korean people to achieve Korea's reunification by themselves in a peaceful way has not yet been carried into practice because of the divisive moves of the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, and said:

"President Kim Il Sung pointed out that in order to realize the Korean reunification the south Korean people among others should be awakened and so should be the Japanese people. He is quite right in his statement. As a Japanese I felt great sympathy for this matter".

Jyosui Habu, Professor of Hosei University, Japan, said:

"I express my great sympathy with the President's remarks that what is important at present for the non-aligned countries is to discuss how they should achieve their unity and how they can avoid playing into the hands of the imperialists. The struggle of the Korean people, the Japanese people and the people the world over will force the US imperialists to get out of south Korea and will bring the Korean people to surely win victory in their struggle."

Five-Point Policy for Nat'l Reunification: Only Rational Program for Solution of Korea's Reunification Problem

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung made a historic speech elucidating the five-point policy for national reunification on June 23, 1973. Three years have passed since then.

On this occasion all the Korean people, impressively reconstructing the correctness and tremendous vitality of the great leader's five-point policy for national reunification, renew their adamant determination to fight on more staunchly than ever before to carry that policy into effect.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has said:

"Our new five-point policy for national reunification is a positive step towards smashing the manoeuvre of the US imperialists and south Korean authorities to perpetuate national division, which has reached a very grave stage, and towards expediting the independent, peaceful reunification of the country."

In those days when the aforesaid speech was made, a grave situation prevailed in Korea on account of the manoeuvres of the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique to perpetuate national division.

Under the manipulation of US imperialism the south Korean puppets worked hard to make a showdown with us and split the nation even after our positive efforts had led to the publication of the North-South Joint Statement and the commencement of the north-south dialogue.

In June 1973 they went so far as to make public their "special statement" and declare their "two Koreas" scheme to be their "policy".

As a result, the north-south dialogue came to a deadlock and the Korean nation had to face a serious danger of perpetual split.

It was an urgent requirement of the prevailing situation to take a great save-the-nation step so as to get over the grave difficulty and facilitate the country's independent, peaceful reunification.

At such a critical juncture the respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung advanced the five-point policy for national reunification and thus gave the most correct pointer in preventing the permanent division of the nation and accelerating the reunification.

In his five-point policy for national reunification the great leader set it as the most urgent, vital problem in realizing the peaceful reunification to remove, first of all, military confrontation and ease tension between the north and the south.

The respected and beloved leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has taught:

"To improve the present relations between the north and south of Korea and accelerate the peaceful reunification of the country, it is necessary, first of all, to eliminate military confrontation and ease tension between the north and south."

To remove military confrontation and alleviate tension between the north and south is the essential requirement of and precondition for the peaceful reunification.

It alone will render it possible to eradicate the root cause of misunderstanding and distrust between the north and south and create an atmosphere of real trust and, on this basis, find satisfactory solutions to all problems, big or small, which are related to the country's reunification.

In his five-point policy the great leader put forward a proposal for materializing many-sided cooperation and interchange between the north and south in the political, military, diplomatic, economic and cultural fields.

Only when many-sided cooperation and interchange between the north and south are materialized, will it be possible to rejoin the severed ties of the nation, mitigate the sufferings of the fellow countrymen caused by the split and promote the co-ordinated development of the country.

The many-sided cooperation and interchange will also improve the relations between the north and south and substantially promote great national unity and, on this basis, will make it possible to successfully surmount the obstacle in the way of reunification by the efforts of the nation itself.

In his five-point policy the great leader advanced the proposal for convening a Great National Congress composed of representatives of people of all walks of life and political parties and social organizations in the north and south.

The reunification problem is an issue of great importance that affects the destiny of the whole nation. It can be solved successfully in conformity with the will and interests of the nation, only when all the patriotic forces of various strata including the workers, peasants and intellectuals—the masters of the country—are roused to action. It is, therefore, necessary not to confine the north-south dialogue for reunification to the authorities but to turn it into a dialogue on a nation-wide scale. For this a Great National Congress has to be held.

Further, the new point brought out by the great leader in his five-point policy was to institute a north-south Confederation under the single nomenclature of Confederal Republic of Koryo.

The institution of a north-south Confederation under a single nomenclature represents a most rational way of materializing the cooperation and interchange between the north and south in all fields while leaving the existing political systems in the north and south as they are for the time being and the way of preventing a permanent split and hastening the complete reunification of the country.

The great leader's proposal for naming a state of north-south Confederation the Confederal Republic of Koryo after the united state of Koryo which once existed in our territory and was widely known in the world is readily acceptable to the north and south.

In his five-point policy the great leader proposed that the north and south work together also in the field of external activity.

Only when the north and south work together in external activity, will it be possible to prevent the division of the country into the two and provide themselves with the immutable international guarantee in the settlement of all the questions related to national reunification.

As seen from the above, the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung's five-point policy for national reunification constitutes a fair and rational program for the country's independent, peaceful reunification, as it correctly reflects the objective realities of our country, the urgent requirement of the prevailing situation

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We Strongly Condemn South African Racist Clique's Massacre of People

As was already reported, on June 16 and 17 the racialist clique of South Africa mobilized policemen, soldiers and even armoured cars and helicopters and murdered in cold blood black students who rose against apartheid and for freedom and liberation and the genuine right to existence. They killed nearly 100 students and injured more than 1,000 in Soweto alone.

Such a murderous atrocity is now committed in South Africa every day.

The Korean people extend firm militant solidarity to the Azanian people who are out in their just struggle and indignantly and scathingly denounce the Vorster racialist clique for their suppression and slaughter of people.

Now world attention is focussed on South Africa and voices castigating the racialists are heard in all parts of the world.

The 27th Ministerial Council of the Organization of African Unity accused the South African racialist clique of their murderous acts and expressed firm support to the Azanian brothers in their struggle. In his statement the secretary of this organization warned that if the Vorster clique continue to resort to force the OAU will respond to their violence with violence.

The UN Security Council held an emergency meeting. It declared that the Azanian people's struggle was justifiable and adopted a resolution censuring the Vorster racialists.

The US imperialists alone are displeased with such righteous steps, because they are egging the Vorster clique on to brutal suppression and massacre of people and are supplying them with mass destruction weapons in a systematic way.

Unable to deny the stark reality, the US ambassador to the UN, in fear of world opinion, pretended at the UN Security Council meeting held on June 18 that the US is lashing at the racialists. But he raved that the resolution of the Security Council has no legal basis to apply compulsory sanctions against South Africa.

What arrant nonsense! Can the US imperialists talk about the "legal basis" of the resolution of the Security Council today? No, they can't. Twenty-six years ago, they, standing on the same rostrum, branded the Korean people, who had risen for national defence, as "aggressor" and shipped into Korea huge aggressive armed forces by virtue of a UN "resolution" and slaughtered Korean people mercilessly.

The murderous atrocity in Soweto was perpetrated in conspiracy with the US imperialists and under their patronage. This was eloquently proved by the fact that Kissinger who had made a trip to Africa in May last to protect and encourage the racialists called out to West Germany Vorster who was trembling with fear, accused and condemned by the world's people, and tried to give him blood transfusion and boost his morale.

The great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung has taught:

"Where there is oppression, there is bound to be resistance. It is inevitable that the oppressed peoples should fight for their emancipation."

In spite of the indiscriminate murderous acts by the brutal man-killers, the flames of the Azanian people's struggle are now sweeping the whole of South Africa. The Vorster racialists have had to run the gauntlet everywhere.

The imperialists and their stooges will surely be drawn into the strong vortex of our times when the struggle of the people for freedom and liberation is in its heyday.

Cho Son Won

US IMPERIALISM, IMMEDIATELY QUIT SOUTH KOREA IN ACCORDANCE WITH UN RESOLUTION!

We Earnestly Call upon World Public to Wage More Extensive Solidarity Movement in Support of Just Cause of Korean People

Joint Statement Issued by DPRK Social Organizations on Occasion of "Month of Anti-US Joint Struggle for Withdrawal of US Imperialist Aggression Troops from South Korea"

The social organizations of our country issued a joint statement on June 23 on the occasion of the "month of anti-US joint struggle for the withdrawal of the US imperialist aggression troops from south Korea" and earnestly called upon the people of the socialist countries, the people of the third world countries, all the peace-loving people, political parties and social organizations the world over, international bodies and international democratic organizations to vigorously wage a more extensive solidarity movement in support of the just cause of the Korean people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

Pointing out that the Korean question is an important question which deserves to be the focal point of world-wide attention and one of the fundamental questions concerning peace and security of humanity, the joint statement emphasized:

Only when the peoples and public circles of all the continents of the world rise up and roundly expose and condemn the criminal manoeuvres of the US imperialists and the south Korean puppet clique and express greater support and solidarity to the just struggle of the Korean people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country, war can be prevented and peace guaranteed in our country and a more favourable phase opened for the peaceful reunification of Korea.

Signing the joint statement were 13 social organizations including the Central Committee of the Democratic Front for the Reunification of the Fatherland, the Committee for the Peaceful Reunification of the Fatherland, the Korean Committee of Solidarity with the World People, the Korean Committee for Asian-African Solidarity, the Korean National Peace Committee and the General Federation of Trade Unions of Korea.

We, the joint statement said, extend deep thanks and warm greetings to the governments, parliaments, political parties, social organizations and peoples of all countries of the world, international bodies and international democratic organizations which express support and sympathy for the cause of national reunification of the Korean people in the month of anti-US joint struggle every year.

Twenty-six years have passed after the United States started a war of aggression in Korea and 23 years since the armistice in Korea. But the peaceful reunification of Korea has not yet been achieved and the armistice not been converted into a durable peace.

Due to the reckless new war provocation manoeuvres of the US imperialists and their stooges, the danger of war is daily growing in Korea and a grave difficulty is lying in the way of national reunification.

Exposing that the United States, jointly with the south Korean puppets, is staging war exercises ceaselessly for an attack on the northern half of the Republic, the joint statement said:

The US aggressive elements staged a "ROK-US copestrike exercise" under simulated conditions of their invasion of the northern half of the Republic with the mobilisation of large quantities of weapons and combat equipment inclusive of "F-111" supersonic fighter-bombers brought from the US mainland which was followed by a large-scale "south Korea-US joint mobile exercise" codenamed "Operation Yellow Dragon" in which three landing support craft including a helicopter-carrier belonging to the US 7th Fleet and more than 3,500 US troops were drawn.

From the end of March to the end of April the bosses of the US warmaniacs brought to south Korea the carrier "Midway" from Japan and a number of destroyers and a large force of the US marine division and staged a large-scale "south Korea-US joint naval amphibious mobile exercise".

The US imperialists shipped into south Korea 4,600 tons of ammunition of various kinds including rocket shells from a powder depot in Japan which is "the largest in Asia" in recent eight days. This is a military step which the imperialists take only on the eve of their start of a war of aggression.

The US imperialists announced their plan to stage a new war exercise by bringing into south Korea new-type transport planes "AC-130" under the pretext of "establishing an air support system" and start soon a large-scale "south Korea-US naval and marine joint amphibious exercise".

The US imperialists and the south Korean puppets are becoming more open in their acts of military provocation against the northern half of the Republic.

The military provocations of all forms perpetrated by them against the northern half of the Republic in the skies and on the land and sea during the first five months of this year run into 13,800 cases.

All these facts show that the United States is the very author blocking the peaceful reunification of Korea and aggravating tension and that the real threat is not a "downward thrust from the north" but an upward thrust from the south.

The joint statement continued:

To remove the danger of war in Korea and achieve the independent and peaceful reunification of the country, the "UN Command" in south Korea must be dissolved, all the foreign troops present there under the UN flag withdrawn and the Armistice Agreement replaced with a peace agreement in accordance with the resolution of the 30th Session of the United Nations General Assembly.

If the United States wants peace in Korea, it must respond to our proposal for concluding a peace agreement.

The US imperialists and their stooges must stop at once their war provocation manoeuvres perpetrated under the cloak of "peace".

The joint statement went on:

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea clarified time and again that it is prepared to sign a peace agreement with the United States at any time under a condition that all the foreign troops are withdrawn from south Korea.

The Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea proposed, to begin with, to cut the army strength of the north and the south to 100,000 men or less respectively, prevent an armed conflict, refrain from the use of arms against each other and hold talks between the north and the south in accordance with the three principles of national reunification laid down in the North-South Joint Statement, as concrete steps toward the relaxation of tension after a peace agreement is signed with the United States.

We will hold talks with the south Korean authorities this very moment, if they stop suppressing the democrats, release the arrested youth and students and patriotic-minded figures, discontinue the fascist rule, "anti-communist" racket, the nation-splitting schemes and the new war provocation manoeuvres and desire reunification.

We hold that such a broad-scale dialogue as a Great National Congress fully reflecting the will of the whole nation should be realized without delay and will affirmatively respond to any proposal conforming to this policy of ours.

The joint statement said:

The Korean people who are suffering from the split of the country earnestly hope that the peaceloving people of the world will support our policy for the independent and peaceful reunification, increase voices demanding that the "UN Command" be disbanded and the US troops occupying south Korea withdrawn in accordance with the UN resolution, scathingly expose and condemn the new war provocation manoeuvres of the United States and the south Korean authorities and their "two Koreas" scheme and their fascist repression of the south Korean people and express firm solidarity with the south Korean people in their just patriotic struggle against fascism and for democracy and for the peaceful reunification of the country.

South Korean Puppet Clique Must Immediately Stop Their "Anti-Communist" Stratagem against Northern Half of the Republic

Statement of Korean Central News Agency

The Korean Central News Agency has been authorized to state as follows:

The south Korean puppets are now raising a vicious "anti-communist" row vilifying us with the mobilization of all the subsidized media in south Korea, alleging that "armed communist bandits" infiltrated into the northern Hangang riverside south of the central east sector of the Military Demarcation Line and a puppet army search unit "shot them dead".

This is another dastardly political fabrication of the south Korean puppets who are accustomed to slanders and intrigues against the northern half of the Republic.

We sternly denounce this frantic "anti-communist" intrigue framed by the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique at the instigation of the US imperialists as an intolerable challenge to the entire Korean people.

The south Korean puppets faked up the groundless "incident" all of a sudden in the Military Demarcation Line area, while engaging in hysteric "anti-communist" manoeuvres and raising a hue and cry over the "threat of southward invasion" on the eve of June 25, and it is clear what they seek in this.

They faked it up premeditatedly in an attempt to justify their anti-popular crimes and mislead the people at any cost, knowing full well that the "anti-communist" fraud has lost its effect and the outcries over the "threat of southward invasion" convince no one in south Korea.

The south Korean puppets branded the puppet army soldiers who rushed to Seoul after rising in an armed revolt in Silmi-do Island as "armed communist bandits who had intruded form the north", labelled the civilians who joined the students' demonstration and cried for freedom and democracy as "infiltrated communist bandits" and took great pains to shift onto us the blame for the "sniping incident" in which the puppet boss set the stage for shooting his own wife to death to get out of the political crisis.

The "incident" loudly clamoured about now by the south Korean puppets is an extension of such political masquerade. The only difference is that the theatre has been moved from Inchon and Seoul to the area along the Military Demarcation Line.

But the change of the theatre and facade can fool no one and they will get nothing from it.

Today the danger of war in our country comes not from the north but from the south. We are not threatening south Korea but the US imperialists and their lackeys are threatening us.

With no plots can the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique distort this stark fact.

The south Korean puppet clique must stop the "anti-communist" machinations against the northern half of the Republic and immediately discontinue the anti-national criminal act of inciting hostility within the nation and flouting the people.

If the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique, despite of our warning, persist in the "anti-communist" stratagem, they will be unable to escape the disgraceful doom like those "anti-communist" elements who have already gone to their graves.

Pyongyang, June 24, 1976

Bitterly Denounce and Indict US Imperialism to World's People for Its Bestial Bacteriological Weapon Test

KMA Central Committee Holds Press Conference with Home and Foreign Journalists

Han Hong Sop, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Korean Medical Association, at a press conference bitterly denounced the US imperialists for their criminal act of massacring people in south Korea by artificially spreading the virus of epidemic hemorrhagic fever, a terrible communicable disease, and using people as an object of the test of bacteriological weapons.

He said: "We confirm that this epidemic hemorrhagic fever spreading in south Korea is entirely the result of the test of bacteriological weapons, the preliminary practice for bacteriological warfare conducted by the US imperialists, engrossed in preparations for the provocation of a new war in Korea, under the guise of the natural outbreak of the communicable disease, in order to commit bacteriological warfare, together with nuclear warfare, just as they did in the past Korean war."

The Central Committee of the Korean Medical Association held a press conference on June 24 at the People's Palace of Culture to expose the truth of the test of bacteriological weapons conducted by the US imperialists of late in south Korea as part of their war preparations.

According to the statement of Chairman Han Hong Sop at the press conference, epidemic hemorrhagic fever with a high death rate is spreading explosively in almost all the rural areas of south Korea.

Even the extremely doctored data published by the south Korean puppet Ministry of Health and Social Affairs showed that patients of epidemic hemorrhagic fever in south Korea so far have numbered over 9,000, and some thousands of them were dead.

In the past the death rate of this disease was 5-10 per cent. But the rate of mortality of epidemic hemorrhagic fever now spreading in south Korea is 20-40 per cent and in some affected areas it is as high as 60 per cent.

Chairman Han Hong Sop said that the Korean Medical Association found that the prevalence of this disease in south Korea is not common natural one but has an artificial element.

In this connection he disclosed the real nature of the US imperialists' thrice-cursed criminal act by referring to the epidemiological, clinical, etiological and historical ground and evidence.

He said: "According to epidemiological analysis of epidemic hemorrhagic fever spreading in south Korea now, it is evident that the disease has been caused as a result of the US imperialists' test of bacteriological weapons".

Noting that the present fulminic massive occurrence of this disease in south Korea can be possible only by artificial sprinkling of the etiological agents, he continued: "This proves that hemorrhagic fever occurring in south Korea was brought about by the US imperialists through various secret air-borne methods.

"Judging from its clinical characteristics, we can confirm that this disease was caused by the etiological agents artificially manufactured and sprinkled by the US imperialists."

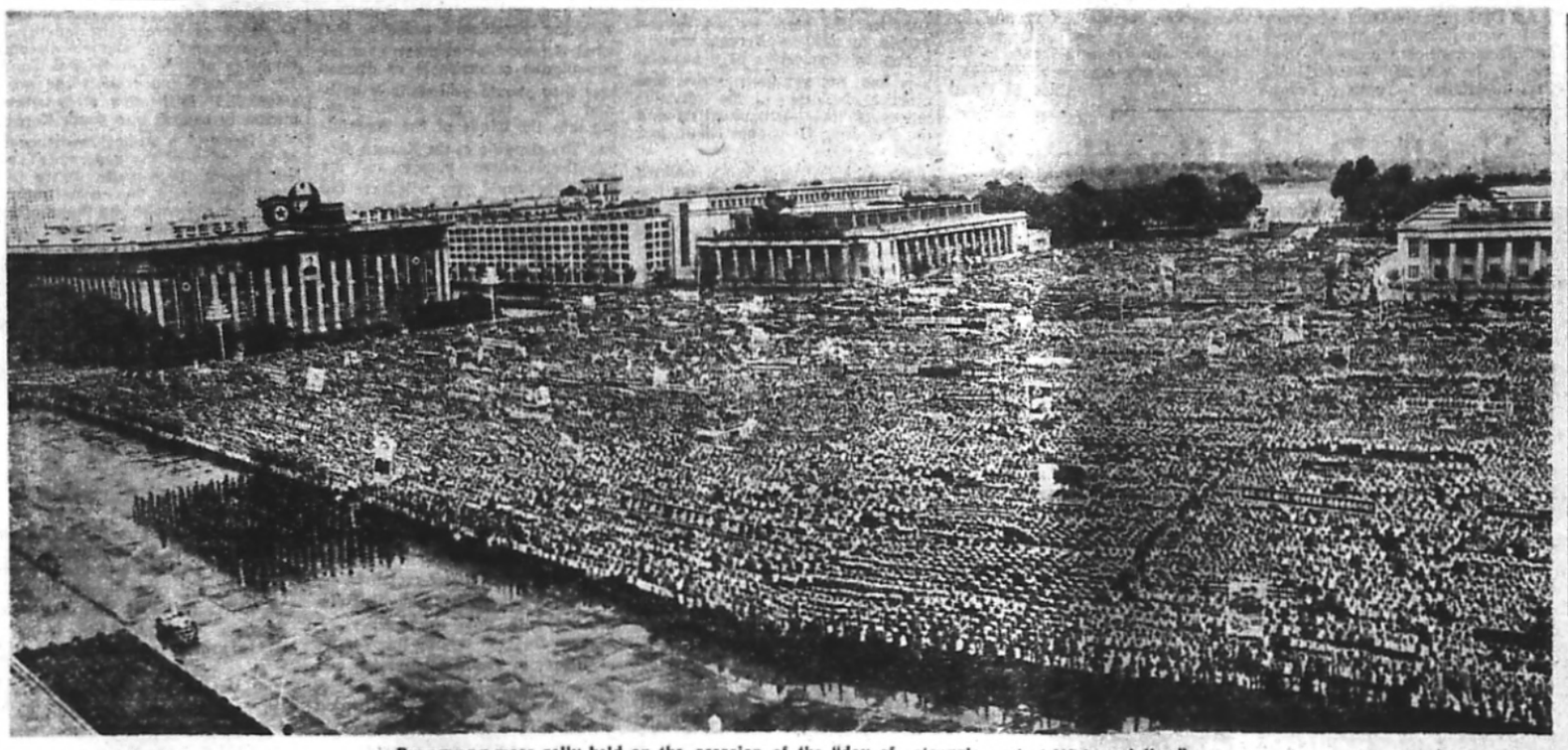
The United States which directed the brunt of bacteriological warfare mainly to our country after the Second World War, desperately carried out the research for new bacteriological weapons and means of applying them, relying on the experiences of the bacteriological warfare gained in the Korean war, he pointed out.

Chairman Han Hong Sop stated: "The purpose of spreading of epidemic hemorrhagic fever over south Korea by the US is to scientifically examine the efficiency of bacteriological weapons made by themselves with the south Korean people, our compatriots, who are living in geographical and meteorological conditions exactly similar to the northern half of our country as its object prior to the new aggressive war in Korea.

"I scathingly denounce the barbarous bacteriological weapon test of the US imperialists as most unpardonable criminal act against our people, as unbearable insult to the civilization of mankind and science, as most gross violation of international law and humanitarian principles and sternly condemn them with a surging national indignation.

"The US imperialists must stop at once the criminal bacteriological weapon test in south Korean and get out of south Korea without delay, taking along their aggression forces and all the lethal weapons including bacteriological weapons, in accordance with the UN resolution".

Present at the press conference were home and foreign journalists and press attaches of foreign embassies in Pyongyang.



Pyongyang mass rally held on the occasion of the "day of struggle against US imperialism"

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rea in case of war. They have also brought into south Korea all kinds of ammunition from a powder magazine in Japan on an unprecedented scale. This is a clear testimony that the US imperialists are frantically pushing ahead with their plan for a new war in Korea, he stressed.

He assailed the US imperialists for instigating with increased fever the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique to unleash a new war in accordance with their war plan and aggravating the situation by zealously abetting the Japanese reactionary forces to execute their policy of war against Korea.

He said:

The peoples of the socialist countries, the peoples of non-aligned countries and all the progressive people of the world are resolutely denouncing the US imperialists' policies of aggression and war and strongly supporting and encouraging the efforts of the Korean people for the independent and peaceful reunification of the country.

The US imperialists must take a sane attitude towards the trend of the times and behave with discretion.

The US imperialists must halt at once their aggression and war provocation manoeuvres against our people, disband the "UN Command" and quit south Korea without delay, taking along their aggression forces and lethal weapons as the resolution of the United Nations demands.

If the US imperialists, turning a deaf ear to our repeated warnings, persist in the policy of war and the "two Koreas" plot and ignite a war of aggression in Korea in the end, our people will answer them by a decisive counterattack and destroy the aggressors to the last man.

We will categorically oppose and reject any manoeuvre to keep the Korean nation split into two permanently and never tolerate the "two Koreas" plot, he said, and declared:

The Korean people will thoroughly smash the "two Koreas" plot and war policy of the separatists within and without and surely achieve the historic cause of national reunification with the support and encouragement of all progressive peoples the world over.

The mass rally was also addressed by Kim Guk Hun, Chairman of the Central Committee of the General Federation of Trade Unions; Kim I Hun, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Union of Agricultural Working People; Chi Jae Ryong, Chairman of the Central Committee of the League of Socialist Working Youth; and Li Su Wol, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee of the Korean Democratic Women's Union.

The mass rally adopted an appeal to the south Korean people.

It was followed by a grand demonstration.

The hearts of the crowds marching along the streets were filled with the firm resolution to continue to fight staunchly to force the US imperialist aggressors to withdraw from south Korea and solve the question of the country's reunification independently and peacefully by the efforts of the Korean people themselves, without any outside interference, in accordance with the policy advanced by the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung.

Similar mass rallies and demonstrations were held in provincial seats.

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And at a time when the voices cursing and denouncing US imperialism, the sworn enemy of our people and the most ferocious and brazen-faced aggressor, were resounding all over the country on the "day of struggle against US imperialism", Trade Union members and Chollima riders from different parts of the country gathered at Pamnamugol, Wonam-ri, Sinchon county, the land of wrath, and held a meeting on June 24 to expose and condemn the savage atrocities perpetrated by the US imperialist aggressors in Sinchon district during the Fatherland Liberation War.

That evening, they gathered in front of the grave of 400 mothers, the grave of 102 children and the air-raid shelter of the former Sinchon County Party Committee office and swore vengeance against the US imperialists.

Earlier, on June 22 the Trade Union members and Chollima riders in Pyongyang also held a vengeance-swearing meeting.

Marking the "day of struggle against US imperialism", the Ministry of People's Armed Forces arranged a film show for the military attaches of foreign embassies in our country on June 24.

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and the unanimous will of the whole nation. It is a banner of struggle that shows the Korean people the correct way of shattering in firm unity the "two Koreas" plot of the separatists at home and abroad and solving the problem of reunification by their own efforts and in conformity with their will. It is totally in line with the unanimous desire of the progressive people throughout the world for peace in Korea and the peaceful solution of the Korean question and with the trend of times channelled toward anti-imperialism and independence.

Little wonder no sooner had the five-point policy been made public than it called forth a big echo among all the Korean people and the progressive people the world over. Since then the world's people have given it ever stronger support and raised higher their voices calling for its prompt implementation.

The heads of state, governments and Parliaments of many countries strongly hold that Korea's reunification should be realized on the basis of the great leader Comrade Kim Il Sung's three principles and five-point policy for national reunification, denounce the US imperialists and the south Korean puppets for their "two Koreas" plot and war provocation manoeuvres and resolutely demand that the US troops immediately pull out of south Korea in accordance with the resolution of the 30th Session of the UN General Assembly. This is expressed in their replies to the letter sent by the Standing Committee of the Supreme People's Assembly of the DPRK to Parliaments and governments of the world in connection with the tension created in Korea of late.

Developments in the last three years show patently that it is the only correct way of the solution of Korea's reunification question to put the five-point policy into effect.

The Workers' Party of Korea and the Government of the Republic have all along bent every possible sincere effort to settle the reunification problem in accordance with the five-point policy.

Despite of our sincere efforts little progress has so far been made in the endeavour to solve Korea's reunification problem, and the north-south dialogue is now at a standstill and tension in Korea is being aggravated. This is ascribable exclusively to the manoeuvre of the US imperialists and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique for split and war provocation.

The Korean people will never tolerate any move of US imperialism and its lackeys to divide one Korea into the two.

Our people will staunchly fight to the end in hearty response to the five-point policy for national reunification, strongly supported by the progressive people the world over. By doing this, they will not fail to frustrate the plot of partitionists within and without and achieve the independent, peaceful reunification of the country.

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